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Application No.: Unassigned)	
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING	:	June 23, 2003
APPARATUS AND METHOD,)	
COMPUTER PROGRAM, AND	:	
COMPUTER-READABLE)	
STORAGE MEDIUM	:	

Commissioner for Patents
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed. The concise explanation of relevance of the non-English language documents is found in the attached English Abstracts thereof. In addition, European Patent No. 0725529 corresponds to Japanese Laid-Open Application No. 8-241403.

FORMAL MATTERS

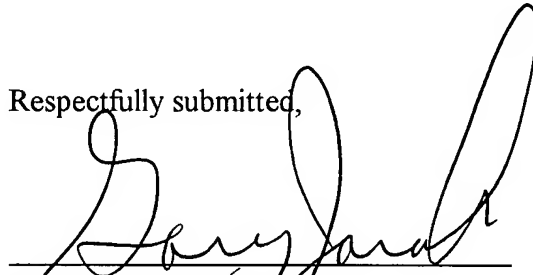
No fee is believed to be required for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee which may be required in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned with the next official communication indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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